

## ABSTRACT

140 A method of searching and ordering books via the Internet is disclosed. This  
method allows business to business customers that often require to search and  
purchase thousands of books a quick and simple way of searching and ordering books  
via the Internet, as well as keeping track of the previously purchased books to in order  
to avoid duplicative purchases. A customer copies and pastes book identifying  
145 information, such as International Standard Book Number, from the customer's  
electronic file to the window displayed in the vendor's web page. A main database  
containing all the books carried by the vendor is searched, generating a list of available  
books matching the book identifying information entered by the customer. A database  
containing the previously ordered books is also searched and displayed. The customer  
150 can order the books from the list of available books by selecting the desired books. At  
the same time, the customer is able to see the previously ordered books.